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In re Patent Application of:  
Hideo TASHIRO et al.

Application No.: 10/560,584

Confirmation No.: 6678

Filed: May 23, 2006

Art Unit: N/A

For: SUBSTRATE FOR BIOMOLECULE  
MICROARRAY, BIOMOLECULE  
MICROARRAY, DEVICE AND METHOD OF  
PROMOTING INTERACTION AND METHOD  
OF DETECTING INTERACTION

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Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**REQUEST FOR REFUND**  
**(IMPROPER CHARGE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT)**

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P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account 02-2448 shown on the statement for the month of November 2006 for the above-identified

☒ application ☐ patent

☒ A copy of the monthly statement in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

## II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	AMOUNT OF REFUND <u>REQUESTED</u>
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TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED	<u>\$1,600.00</u>
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### III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

When the English translation of the specification for the present application was filed on May 23, 2006, we filed a Preliminary Amendment to remove improper multiple dependencies and submitted the fee of \$2,010.00 (\$1,250.00 for excess claims of 25, \$400.00 for two extra independent claims, and \$360.00 for the multiple dependent claims). Accordingly, \$1,600.00 for the excess claims fee is not necessary.

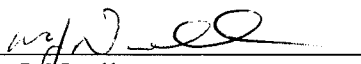
IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Dated: December 19, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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